1.0 Highlighted Provisions:

This bill amends requirements for when an individual enrolling a student in a school is unable to produce the student's birth certificate; and a student's birth certificate does not accurately reflect the student's age.

2.0 Definition: As used in this section, "Newcomer student" means a student who is three through 21 years old; was not born in any state; and has not attended one or more schools in one or more states for more than three full academic years.

3.0 If documentation inaccurately reflects the student's biological age, the enroller shall provide to the school an affidavit explaining the reasons for the inaccuracy.
3.1 The supporting documentation described may include:

- A religious, hospital, or physician certificate showing the student's date of birth;
- An entry in a family religious text;
- An adoption record;
- Previously verified school records;
- Previously verified immunization records;
- Documentation from a social service provider; or
- Other legal documentation, including from a consulate that reflects the student's biological age.

3.2 If the supporting documentation is not available the school shall assign a review team to work with the enroller to determine the student's biological age for an LEA to use for a student's enrollment and appropriate placement in a public school.

The review team may include:

- an appropriate district administrator;
- the student's teacher or teachers;
- the school principal;
- a school counselor;
• a school social worker;
• a school psychologist;
• a culturally competent and trauma-informed community representative;
• a school nurse or other school health specialist;
• an interpreter, if necessary; or
• a relevant educational equity administrator; and

• shall include at least three members, at least one of which has completed the instruction (53G-9-207: Child sexual abuse prevention, Effective 9/1/2022) no more than two years prior to the member's appointment to the review team.

3.3 In addition to any duty to comply with the mandatory reporting requirements, a school shall report to local law enforcement any sign of child trafficking that the review team identifies in carrying out the review team's duties.